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Wrestlers Win at Conference

Four MSB wrestlers won trophies at the NCASB Wrestling and Cheerleading Meet held at Tennessee School for the Blind the weekend of January 22-23, 2010.

In the 125 lb. weight class Brynn Haines, a junior, placed third. In the 160 lb. weight class, another junior David Brown continued his winning ways, bringing home a first place medal.

In the 171 lb. weight class junior Ellaun Williams placed second; sophomore Trevon

Graves took third in the 215 lb. weight class.

Missouri's wrestling team scored 70 points overall, coming in third behind Tennessee and

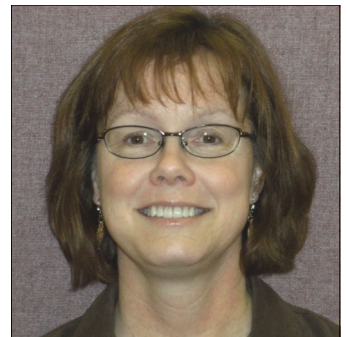
Arkansas. Ten schools attended the meet.

Missouri's cheerleaders also competed at conference, placing eighth.

"The Eyes of Me" Video Presented

KETC/Channel 9 and the Missouri History Museum will screen the film *The Eyes of Me* on Thursday, February 11, at 7 p.m. at the History Museum in Forest Park. This free movie, which

allows the viewer to step into the worlds of four visually impaired/blind teens, will be followed by a question and answer period and panel discussion. Asst. Supt. Joy Waddell will represent MSB.





February Employee of the Month

Cindy Kerr, (formerly Flynn) Human Resources Analyst III, has been named DESE Employee of the Month for February, 2010.

As MSB's Human Resources representative, Cindy is responsible for processing all employee paperwork relating to payroll, benefits and workers compensation, maintaining employee records and applying state personnel policies.

Cindy received the Employee of the Month honor because "*she is the go-to person for information, answers to questions and forms. She handles every situation discreetly. She is approachable and knowledgeable. She does everything with kindness and respect. She is the calm in the midst of the storm.*"

CALENDAR

Lincoln's Birthday-State Holiday	Feb. 12	
Valentine's Day	Feb. 14	
President's Day-State and School Holiday	Feb. 15	
Braille Challenge	Feb. 18	
Washington's Birthday	Feb. 22	
ACT Testing	Feb. 22-26	
Swim & Forensics Meet at Wisconsin	Feb. 26-27	
MSB's 159th Birthday	Feb. 27	

February is Black History Month

Braille Readers Are Leaders Winners



All Missouri School for the Blind students who participated in the Braille Readers Are Leaders program sponsored by the National Federation of the Blind (NFB) of Missouri received framed prints, a slate and stylus and cash rewards. First, second and third place winners in each age group also received cash prize as follows: second-third grade category: Zyshaun Cross-Williams, 1st place and most improved; sixth-eighth grade: Torey Pingel, 3rd place; Kevin Halford, 2nd, and Kathryn Hurd, 1st place and most improved; ninth-twelfth grade category: Tabitha Jenkins, most improved; Brittany Davis, 3rd place; Khrystal Coleman, 2nd place; Skily Smith, 1st place. Pictured above are (left to right): Skily Smith, Zyshaun Cross-Williams (working with Trevon Graves), Kathryn Hurd, Khrystal Coleman and Torey Pingel.

Journalism and Poster Contest Open to Secondary Students

The Governor's Council on Disability is sponsoring a journalism and poster contest for grades 7-12 on the theme "The Americans with Disabilities Act-Celebrating 20

Years of Opportunity." Students may write a paper or design a poster depicting people with disabilities in a positive manner. Entries are due Feb. 22 and the

prizes are U.S. savings bonds. Go to www.disabilityinfo.mo.gov/

[gcd/pdf/2009P&J_Flyer.pdf](#) for details and an entry form.

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ELEMENTARY

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ZYSHAUN CROSS-WILLIAMS
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SAH'MARA PERRY-LUCKETT
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JESSE FINNELL JADE GRANTHAM
KATHRYN HURD TABITHA JENKINS
CAROLYN MCGHEE
ALEX RICHARDSON ELIJAH SHICK
SKILY SMITH AARON WOLFE

CONGRATULATIONS!

FEBRUARY BIRTHDAYS

FEB. 2 TASHA HOUSTON
FEB. 3 ANGELA MOSLEY
FEB. 4 BARB GRIFFIN
FEB. 5 BARBARA BEAL
MARY DINGUS
FEB. 16 CAROL LOGAN
FEB. 18 JESSICA JONES
FEB. 20 MELISSA HAM
FEB. 22 ROGER FRYE
FEB. 25 SUSAN BONNER

HAVE A GREAT DAY!

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